# **NEWS RELEASE**

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### **Santa Ana Freeway (Interstate 5)**

## **FULL FREEWAY CLOSURES**

### Begin Sunday night, February 24

**LA MIRADA TO DOWNEY** —Caltrans will fully close one direction of the Santa Ana Freeway (I-5) between the Artesia Freeway (State Route 91) and the San Gabriel River Freeway (Interstate 605) for eight nights beginning Sunday night, February 24. Only one direction of I-5 will be fully closed each night. The overnight closures of the freeway, connector and ramps will affect I-5 Corridor motorists in the cities of La Mirada, Santa Fe Springs, Norwalk and Downey.

The nightly closures will allow crews to safely demolish the Shoemaker Avenue Bridge, part of the \$214 million I-5 HOV/Rosecrans-Bloomfield-Shoemaker Bridges Project. The demolition is expected to continue during weeknights for up to six weeks. Once completed, the project will add one carpool lane and one general purpose lane in each direction from Shoemaker Ave. to Silverbow Ave., reconstruct three bridges at Rosecrans, Bloomfield and Shoemaker avenues and a pedestrian overcrossing at Silverbow Ave., reconfigure the ramps at Rosecrans Ave., and upgrade and realign Firestone Blvd.

See the attached map graphic that describes the closures and detours. The closures are as follows, weather permitting:

#### Nightly, Sunday and Monday: February 24 and 25; March 3 and 4 from 11 p.m. to 5 a.m.

- Full Freeway Closure: <u>southbound I-5 only</u> from Rosecrans Avenue to Carmenita Road. All southbound I-5 traffic must exit at the Rosecrans Avenue off-ramp.
- **Connector Closure**: the southbound I-605 connector to southbound I-5 will be closed. Detour: reconnect to southbound I-5 using southbound I-605 to eastbound SR-91 to southbound I-5.
- Southbound I-5 on-ramps will be fully closed at S. Firestone Blvd. and Rosecrans Ave.
- On northbound I-5, up to two lanes will be closed from Carmenita Rd. to Rosecrans Ave.

#### Nightly, Tuesday and Wednesday: February 26 and 27; March 5 and 6 from 11 p.m. to 5 a.m.

- Full Freeway Closure: northbound I-5 only:
  The full freeway closure extends from Carmenita Road to Rosecrans Avenue.
  All northbound I-5 traffic must exit at the Carmenita Road off-ramp.
- Connector Closures: Westbound SR-91 to northbound I-5.
   Detour: reconnect to northbound I-5 using westbound SR-91 to northbound I-605 to northbound I-5.
- Northbound I-5 on-ramps will be fully closed at Valley View Ave., Alondra Blvd. and Carmenita Rd.
- On southbound I-5, up to two lanes will be closed from San Antonio/Norwalk Blvd. to Carmenita Rd.

The public is encouraged to sign-up to receive email notifications on local street, freeway and ramp closures at the I-5 South Corridor Improvement Projects Toll-Free Hotline (855) 454-6335 or <a href="www.l-5info.com">www.l-5info.com</a> Caltrans district-wide freeway lane closure information can be accessed at <a href="www.lcswebreports.dot.ca.gov">www.lcswebreports.dot.ca.gov</a>



